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Compulsory Specification for

## **Replacement headlights for motor vehicles**

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**No. R. 1168****15 August 2003****STANDARDS ACT, 1993****AMENDMENT OF THE COMPULSORY SPECIFICATION FOR REPLACEMENT  
HEADLIGHTS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES**

I, Alexander Erwin, Minister of Trade and Industry, hereby under Section 22(1)(a)(l) of the Standards Act, 1993 (Act No. 29 of 1993), and on the recommendation of the Council of the South African Bureau of Standards, amend the compulsory specification for Replacement Headlights for Motor Vehicles as set out in the Schedule, with effect from the date two months after the date of publication of this notice.

**A ERWIN**  
Minister of Trade and Industry

**SCHEDULE****AMENDMENT TO THE COMPULSORY SPECIFICATION FOR  
REPLACEMENT HEADLIGHTS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES****Title**

Delete the existing title and insert the following:

Replacement headlights for motor vehicles

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**Section 3**

Delete the existing "4.1 Marking" and insert the following:

4 Marking

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTEMENT VAN HANDEL EN NYWERHEID

No. 1125

29 August 1997

### STANDARDS ACT, 1993

#### COMPULSORY SPECIFICATION FOR HEADLIGHTS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES

I, Alec Erwin, Minister of Trade and Industry, hereby under section 22 (1) (a) (ii) of the Standards Act, 1993 (Act No. 29 of 1993), and on the recommendation of the Council of the South African Bureau of Standards, with effect from the date two months after the date of this notice, declare the specification for headlights for motor vehicles contained in the Schedule, to be compulsory.

**A. ERWIN**

Minister of Trade and Industry

#### SCHEDULE

#### COMPULSORY SPECIFICATION FOR HEADLIGHTS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES

##### 1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers headlights offered for sale as replacement parts for use in motor vehicles of categories M, N and O. It covers all universal headlights as well as headlights designed for specific vehicle models homologated after July 1987.

1.2 This specification does not cover headlights for off-road vehicles such as agricultural or earth-moving machines. Headlights supplied as parts of new vehicles are covered by the compulsory specifications for new vehicles.

##### 2. Definitions

For the purposes of this specification the following definition apply:

**Headlight:** A light that is capable of emitting a main beam or a dipped beam, or both, and used to illuminate the road ahead of a vehicle.

**Universal headlight:** A headlight of a design such that it will not limit its use to a specific model vehicle.

##### 3. Requirements

A headlight shall comply with the following requirements of SABS 1376-2, *Lights for motor vehicles—Part 2: Headlights* (as amended), as published in Government Notice No. 1263 of 14 June 1985:

- 3.1 General construction
- 3.2 Securing of lens
- 3.3 Lamps
- 3.4 Securing of lamp
- 3.5 Lampholders
- 3.7 Terminals
- 3.8 Initial power
- 3.9 Colour
- 3.10 Photometric properties
- 4.1 Marking

The headlight shall be identified as designed for left-hand traffic.

##### 4. Equivalent requirements

Headlights marked with the SABS-mark, the E-mark, or other recognized approval mark and complying with the appropriate specification, may be deemed to comply with the requirements of this specification.